



Housing Authority of the City of Alameda

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MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE HOUSING AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF ALAMEDA HELD TUESDAY, JULY 1, 2008

The Board of Commissioners was called to order at 7:41 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

1. ROLL CALL

Present: Commissioner deHaan, Gilmore, Matarrese, Tam, Torrey and Chair Johnson

Absent: None

2. CONSENT CALENDAR

Commissioner Matarrese moved acceptance of the Consent Calendar. Commissioner Tam seconded. Motion carried unanimously. Items accepted or adopted are indicated by an asterisk.

*2-A. Minutes of the Special Board of Commissioners meeting held April 15, 2008. Minutes were accepted.

*2-B. Revise Authorized Travel. The Board of Commissioners:

1. Eliminated authorization for a Commissioner and a staff member to travel to Nashville for the NAHRO conference; and

2. Authorized one staff member to attend the public housing conversion training offered by HUD in August 2009 in Washington, D.C. or in September 2009 in Chicago.

*2-C. Recommend Adoption of Pedestrian Plan. The Board of Commissioners recommended to the City Council to adopt the Pedestrian Plan.

3. AGENDA

None.

4. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

None.

5. COMMISSIONER COMMUNICATIONS

Commissioner Torrey thanked Commissioner Matarrese for coming to the Amateur Radio Co-Op of Alameda's (ARCA) building site at 431 Stardust Place on June 28th to see their ham radio capabilities.

Commissioner Matarrese questioned the implementation of a non-smoking policy at Independence Plaza and asked for a future report. He has spoken to several residents who requested he investigate restricting smoking at the bus stops on Atlantic and Webster. Mr. Puci acknowledged he will provide a report to the Commission.

Commissioner Torrey understood that Independence Plaza residents signed leases with the non-smoking amendment included. He mentioned this should be an on-going

process. Mr. Pucci said the policy is for the entire Independence Plaza complex; anything inside the fence, units, and all common areas.

Chief Executive Officer Kurita explained Executive Director Pucci went through an extensive process to assure that everyone was involved, aware, and understood the reasons for the non-smoking policy. She commended him for the excellent process. Chair Johnson agreed, as there has been no dissent.

Commissioner Matarrese suggested implementing the policy at other Housing Authority complexes.

6. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Chair Johnson adjourned the meeting at 7:45 p.m.

Attest:

Beverly Johnson, Chair

Michael T. Pucci
Executive Director / Secretary